



The VVHOA



Voice

August, 2 🍦 24

President's Message:

My grandmother loved ice cream... not store-bought... homemade. Most often vanilla was made. This time of year peach ice cream was churned. The ice cream was made on the weekends when it we visited during the summer. I think it also might have been because the grandkids always were the ones operating the hand-cranked ice cream maker. We thought it was great fun and could anticipate the rewards of our efforts. I realize now we were most likely being laughed at for doing all the physical work instead of the adults. I still think it was worth it and I always tried to lick the dasher as soon as it was removed.

Years back I asked my aunt if she had her mother's ice cream recipe, She sent me a copy of this well-used stained paper with the hand-written recipe on it. I know now why I had not found the same flavor with which I had grown up. The recipe was a cooked custard style that called for a dozen eggs, heavy cream, vanilla and sugar. I made this version for years to the delight of my children. I now have dedicated stent number one to this delightful frozen confection and maybe honorable mention to the coconut cake that also seemed to attach itself to the bowl.

Childhood Echoes

Ice cream, a call to days of yore,
Echoes of childhood, an open door,
Vanilla, strawberry, or lime,
Each flavor a memory in time.

Running to the jingling tune,
On a sunny afternoon,
Laughter, joy, in every lick,
Memories that forever stick.

A taste that takes you back,
On memory's sweet track,
Childhood in every scoop,
In the happiness loop.

Author Unknown

August Highlights

Texas Historical August Events

August 8, 1812 – [The Gutierrez-Magee Expedition](#) with about 130 men, crossed the Sabine River from Louisiana in a rebel movement against Spanish rule in Texas.

August 11, 1840 – The [Battle of Plum Creek](#), near present-day Lockhart, ended the boldest and most penetrating Comanche challenge to the Texas Republic.

Birthday - American frontiersman Davy Crockett (**August 17, 1786**) was born in Hawkins County, Tennessee. He was a farmer, scout and politician who perished at age 49 during the final heroic defense of the Alamo in Texas.



Christopher Columbus set sail from the port of Palos in southern Spain on three vessels on **August 3, 1492**: la Santa Clara (Niña), la Pinta and la Santa Gallega (Santa Maria). The Niña and Pinta were tiny by today's standards, only 50 to 70 feet from bow to stern, but prized for their speed and maneuverability¹. Columbus was in command of three ships: the Pinta, the Niña, and the Santa María.

National Historical August Events

August 6-10, 1787 - The Great Debate occurred during the Constitutional Convention. Outcomes included the establishment of a four-year term of office for the President, granting Congress the right to regulate foreign trade and interstate commerce, and the appointment of a committee to prepare a final draft of the Constitution.

August 14, 1935 - President Roosevelt signed the Social Security Act establishing the system which guarantees pensions to those who retire at age 65. The Social Security system also aids states in providing financial aid to dependent children, the blind and others, as well as administering a system of unemployment insurance.



The text in this newsletter [that looks like this](#) is a hyperlink to a web page for additional information.

Swimming Pool Etiquette

Please after using the pool clean up after yourself

Squeegee the floor if water is on it

Relocate the chairs if moved

Turn off the lights when leaving

Thank you

August 2024

1st International Mahjong Day



16th National Tell a Joke Day

2nd National Ice Cream Sandwich Day



18th National Fajita Day

4th National Coast Guard Day *Semper Paratus*

19th National Soft Ice Cream Day

6th National Root Beer Float Day

21st National Senior Citizens Day

7th Purple Heart Day



22nd National Be An Angel Day

8th National Whataburger Day

24th National Waffle Day

10th National S'Mores Day

25th National Banana Split Day



11th National Sons and Daughters Day

26th National Dog Day

13th National Filet Mignon Day

28th National Bow Tie Day

15th National Relaxation Day

30th National Beach Day



Every Thursday evening at 5 pm, the Widows (and single ladies) of Vicksburg meet at different restaurants in town for a lovely dinner. Great way to meet your neighbors, and not have to cook, and eat alone! Here is our schedule:

August

September

PLEASE JOIN US—ITS FUN

Aug. 1st The Ridge

Sept. 5th Rio Ranch

Aug. 8th Margarita City

Sept. 12th Bella Sera

Aug. 15th Chinatown

Sept. 19th Classic's Burgers

Aug. 22nd Acapulco

Sept. 26th Cracker Barrel

Aug. 29th Carmines

Hope to see you all there!

A CELEBRATION FOR A CENTURY
BETTY ARONSEN
100 YEAR BIRTHDAY



Summer Office Hours: Monday & Wednesday 8am-2pm Tuesday 12pm-3pm.

Vicksburg Village Website: Please visit our website at vicksburgvillage.net We are very happy with everything that Dean Seals has done for us and appreciate all his work. You will find lots of helpful tools on the site, such as architectural control committee request forms and much more! If you have any suggestions for new content, please let us know. We want to make this website a useful tool for all our residents.

Bunco Group: Third Wednesday of each month. If you are interested in joining the group or would like to substitute, please call Mell Whiting (443-243-6934). We are always in need of permanent players and substitutes.

Artist of the month: There is a signup sheet on the credenza for the “Artist of the month.” We enjoy seeing the artistic talents of our residents. The artists this month is by Sharon Preston.

Wall Hanging of the month: Each month, a member of the Quilt Bee provides a wall for the Clubhouse. Stop by and enjoy this month’s wall hanging by Gwen Myers . If you are a quilter, we encourage you to show your quilting. Call Gwen Myers 830-832-8472 to add your name to the list on the credenza and include it in the monthly Newsletter. Join us at the Quilt Bee on 1st and 3rd Mondays at 1:00 in the Clubhouse. All levels of quilting skills are welcome.



George's Korner – Jeopardy Style (Questions on last page)

Ancient Greeks

1. The 60 or so works bearing the name of this “Father of Medicine” likely weren’t written by him, nor was his oath.
2. He said, “The unexamined life is not worth living”; He wed Xanthippe and was an Athenian soldier.

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3. His first published book was a biology text; his first novel was *The Time Machine*.

Business Ventures

4. In 1927, 4 years after starting a movie company with his brother, he decided to go all-cartoon.
5. In 1996, one year after it’s founding, Auctionweb moved more than \$7 million in merchandise and in 1997 got this new name.

Community Events

I want to personally thank Larry Stamps for a solution to an issue that has concerned me for some time. The air conditioner condensation drain was pouring onto the sidewalk and causing algae to grow, discolor the walkway and just stay wet. I cleaned the area several times and bleached it to kill the algae and remove the stain. First time I did it I slipped on the algae and almost fell. I knew we had to find a way to prevent this potential hazard.

Larry stated the possibility to redirect the drain line to a sewer vent in the attic. Tim Sheets, myself and Larry Garcia went into the attic to check what it would take to implement this solution. Larry Garcia looked around and found that the drain line from the AC was above of another line going to a vent pipe. I met with Larry on Saturday morning and he attached the two lines and just like that problem solved. Thanks to Larry Stamps and Larry Garcia.

With election season approaching here is a reminder of our CC&Rs regulation on Political Signs.

Article II, Section 16, paragraph A

Political signs are permissible on Improved Lots only and must be in accordance with Texas Property code, Section 202.009.

Texas Property Code § 202.009 Regulation Of Display Of Political Signs

Sec. 202.009. REGULATION OF DISPLAY OF POLITICAL SIGNS. (a) Except as otherwise provided by this section, a property owners' association may not enforce or adopt a restrictive covenant that prohibits a property owner from displaying on the owner's property one or more signs advertising a political candidate or ballot item for an election:

- (1) on or after the 90th day before the date of the election to which the sign relates; or
- (2) before the 10th day after that election date.

Please do not post any signs that contain language, graphics, or any display that would be offensive to the ordinary person.

**The City of Kerrville has adopted new animal enforcement ordinance that went into effect this April. The entire 23 page ordinance is available on <https://vicksburgvillage.net>
The following is the excerpt that would most apply to the Village.**

Sec. 18-31. Nuisances.

- (a) All dogs and cats, excluding community cats, shall be kept under restraint.
- (b) No dog or cat may be allowed to cause a nuisance. The owner of every dog or cat shall be held responsible for every behavior of such dog or cat under the provisions of this article.
- (c) A dog or cat is considered a nuisance if it damages, soils, defiles, or defecates on private property other than the owner's or on public walks and recreation areas unless such waste is immediately removed and properly disposed of by the owner; causes unsanitary, dangerous, or offensive conditions; causes a disturbance by excessive barking or other noisemaking; chases vehicles; or molests, attacks, or interferes with persons or other domestic animals on public property.

[As defined in the definition part of this ordinance: Community cat caregiver means a person who participates in trap-neuter-return.]

- (d) **It is unlawful for a person to feed feral cats or to provide food for feral cats. It is an affirmative defense if the person is a community cat caregiver maintaining a community cat colony.**
- (e) If a community cat colony is the source for a substantial number of nuisance complaints from multiple sources, the affirmative defense under subsection (d) does not apply and the community cat colony must be relocated or the cats claimed by owners and re-homed. A substantial number of nuisance complaints means three or more complaints within the past 12 months. Multiple sources means that there are two or more reporting parties that do not reside at the same address.

Sec. 18-32. Community cats.

- (a) Community cats impounded on a nuisance complaint shall be humanely euthanized after expiration of the redemption period unless a community cat caregiver claims the community cat and agrees and is able to relocate the cat to another location, in compliance with this chapter. Community cats may be held longer, as space is available in the animal shelter.
- (b) Community cats that bite or scratch a person shall undergo rabies observation or testing, shall be euthanized in accordance with law, and may not be released, including to a community cat caregiver.

Sec. 18-33. Redemption.

- (a) A community cat released to a community cat caregiver may be released without payment of an impoundment fee, unless the community cat was seized pursuant to a nuisance complaint.
- (b) Any dog or cat confined for rabies quarantine, evidence, or other purpose may be redeemed by the owner thereof upon payment of a fee. Disposal of a dog or cat by any method specified herein does not relieve the owner of liability for violations and accrued charges.
- (c) No dog or cat required to be registered or vaccinated under this chapter may be redeemed until arrangements for such registration and vaccination have been made.
- (d) As a condition for redemption, the animal control authority may require a dog or cat, including community cats, to be microchipped and have the microchip registered such that the animal control authority is able to identify the owner or community cat caregiver, as applicable.

COMMITTEE COMMUNICATIONS

CC&Rs COMMITTEE:

The CCR's Committee is progressing toward its goal of completing both the review of the Vicksburg Village Homeowners Declaration of Covenants, Conditions, and Restrictions and the Bylaws in August of 2024, and presenting its Fourteenth Amendment recommendations to the Vicksburg Village Board of Directors for its review and suggestions before seeking legal counsel and presenting to the Owners for approval in January 2025.

WELCOME COMMITTEE

We all welcome Betty Fambrough to Vicksburg Village. While Betty actually purchased in February, she has had her fair share of move-in stories to share. As we all know, purchasing is the first step, but getting the new home for move-in ready is a whole other step. We are glad to now, finally, meet and introduce Betty. She arrives to us from New Braunfels, where she lived for 38 years, where her life was filled with playing tennis, yet not in recent years. Today she is healing from a broken arm, so no tennis for the near future. Betty has three daughters, one which lives here in Vicksburg Village, Donna Bryant. A second daughter lives in Sante Fe, while the third calls Virginia Beach home. Betty has a family of 5 granddaughters, and two great-grandchildren, one of which is the first male in the family's long lineage of females. We welcome Betty and look forward to her healing and being an active part of our Vicksburg Village family.

Thanks,

Cindy Breen
(469) 644-2390 texting available

COMMITTEE COMMUNICATIONS CONT.

CLUBHOUSE MAINTENANCE & SUPPLIES

Reminder that if supplies like dishwasher soap or other clubhouse supplies need restocking to send me an email or text. Also, if you want to reserve use of the clubhouse. mather300@gmail.com

Also, in pool area it would be considerate to squeegee excess water from pool deck to prevent falls and to drain excess water from flotation noodles before returning them to storage in ladies restroom in ladies restroom.

ARCHITECTURAL CONTROL COMMITTEE

TREE TRIMMING

Our Vicksburg Village rules state, "A homeowner is responsible to keep their trees trimmed so that there are no limbs or branches less than 10 (ten) feet above a sidewalk or less than 14 (fourteen) feet above a street."

We have many trees here which do need to be trimmed. Is yours one of them?

There are only two 'common areas' within the Village whose trees will be trimmed and paid for by the Village. One is the Clubhouse area and the other is the block of properties surrounded clockwise by Florian Dr, Vicksburg Ave, DeGrasse Dr, Yorktown Blvd, and the lower part of Fitch St.

We will be using the same contractor who has served us before. He will be trimming those two common areas and will also give reasonable pricing to other owners if requested. He can be contacted any time after August 5 th when he returns from a vacation trip. Trey Crooks 830-329-5124.

Thank you in advance for getting your trimming done soon. If you have questions about this, please call your ACC Chair, Christine Klima 830-370-8957

Activities

Event	Day	Time	Contact
Bob Ross Style - Painting Class	TBD	TBD	Tom Whiting 443-243-6933
Bunco	3rd Wednesday	6:30PM	Mell Whiting 443-243-6934
Chicago Bridge	2nd Monday	1:00PM	Joy Morris 830-895-8821
Canasta- Pennies from Heaven	Friday	1:00PM	Gloria Valentine 830-955-5267
Canasta–Pennies from Heaven	Thursday	1:00PM	Carolyn Brooks 830-955-5408
Happy Hour	Friday	5:00PM	Putt Shaw 830-285-8110
Mahjong	Tuesday, Sunday	2:00PM	Carolyn Wilkinson 210-422-7821
Men's Coffee	M, T, Th, F	8:30AM	Mike Michalec 830-739-8640
Poker Night	Every Other Tuesday	5:00PM	Barney "B.B."Mays 830-955-9012
Quilt Bee	1st and 3rdMonday	1:00PM	Gwen Myers 830-832-8472
Nine-Ball Pool	Thursday	9:30AM	Steve Lehman 830-739-5990
Eight - Ball Pool	Friday	7:30AM	Steve Lehman 830-739-5990
Water Exercise	M, W, F	7:00AM	Betty Aronsen 830-896-2187
Water Exercise	T, Th, Sat	10:00AM	Mary Lou Bartels 830-257-8066
Wednesday Coffee	Wednesday	9-ish AM	Office 830-257-2442
Movie Night	Last Thursday	6:30 PM	Tom Whiting 443-243-6933
CC&Rs Committee	Monday	5:30 –6:30 PM	Gail Johnson 979-299-9277

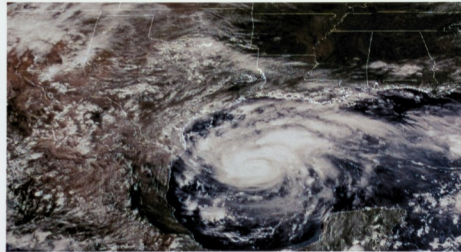
Committees

Architectural Control	Bereavement	Budget & Finance	CC&Rs By Laws & Rules	Clubhouse Decorating
Christine Klima	Anne Snellgrove	Sitting President Sitting Treasurer	Gail Johnson Sitting President	Sharon Preston
Sherrill Hutson	Linda Lavretta	Linda Lavetta	Laurie Sheets	Anne Snellgrove
Dean Reynolds	Mary Etheridge	Larry Stamps	Cindy Breen	Sharon Nole
Bonnie Flory	Ruth Maples		Andy Starck	Betsy Flett
Bill Ponce	Sherrill Hutson		Donna Bryant	Cindy Seals
Don Kilmer	Barbara Arkett		Kim Marks	Mary Staudt (sub)
	Babs Morgan		Gary Williams	
	Carolyn Brooks		Linda Lavretta	
	Sharon Nole			
	Wanda Benson			
Common Area Gardening	Clubhouse Maintenance & Supplies	Elections	General Maintenance	Welcome
Roxanne Case	Linda Lavretta	Mary Ellen Terry	Larry Stamps	Gail Johnson Cindy Breen
Kim Marks	Sharon Nole	Betty Aronsen	Don Flett	Mary Flett
Tom Wallace	Mary Flett	Mell Whiting		Gerry Stamps
Cindy Wallace	Anne Snellgrove	George Scheirton		
	Betsy Flett	Putt Shaw		
	Sharon Preston	Bonnie Flory		
		Barbara Gaither		
		Anne Snellgrove (sub)		
		Sharon Nole (sub)		

PREPARE NOW
to Attend the Annual Kerr County
EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS EXPO

Saturday, August 31, 9 AM – 4 PM
Happy State Bank Expo Hall
3785 E Hwy 27, Kerrville

Mitigation, Preparedness and Recovery



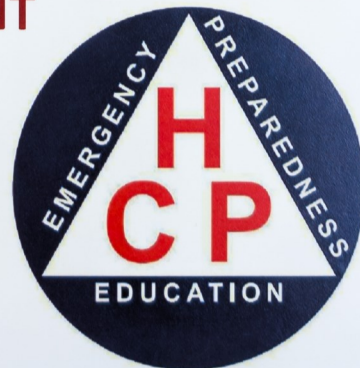
For more information contact W.B. "Dub" Thomas
Emergency Management Coordinator
wthomas@co.kerr.tx.us

Kerr County Sheriff's Department
(830) 315-2430

A FREE EVENT



Sponsored by the
Kerr County
Sheriff's Office
and the
Hill Country
Preppers



Vicksburg Village Movie Night

“Paint Your Wagon”



Lee Marvin - Clint Eastwood
Jean Seberg

Thursday Night

Aug 29 - 6:30 pm

Board of Directors

Tom Johnson: President

Tim Sheets: Vice -President

Linda Lavretta: Secretary

Judy Wright: Treasurer

Gwen Myers

Gloria Valentine

Fred Fraley

Questions

1. Who is Hippocrates?
2. Who is Socrates?
3. Who is H.G.Wells
4. Who is Walt Disney?
5. What is EBay?